

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

**PURPOSE OF NOTICE:** To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality for the withdrawal of ground water in Hanover County, Virginia.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** November 12 to December 13, 2010.

**PERMIT NAME:** Ground Water Withdrawal Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

**APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER:** Aqua Virginia, Inc.; 2414 Granite Ridge Road, Rockville, Virginia 23146: GW0003201

**NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL:** Colonial Forest Water System; Georgetown Rd. & Windermere Dr., Hanover, Virginia 23111

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Aqua Virginia, Inc. has applied for a re-issuance of an existing permit for the Colonial Forest Water System in Hanover County, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw an average of 19,290 gallons per day. The ground water withdrawal will support the residential connections within the service area. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Middle Potomac aquifer at a depth between 255 feet to 350 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. An aquifer is a body of rock or layer of sediment in the ground in which ground water is stored and transported. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit. The permit will be issued to Aqua Virginia, Inc. who will be the owner and operator of the system.

**HOW TO COMMENT:** DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must be in writing; contain a brief statement on how the proposal affects the person commenting, other users or the aquifer; and be received by DEQ during the comment period. The public also may request a public hearing. If a public hearing is requested, the written comments should include the reason for holding a hearing and related factual concerns. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the proposed permit. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named below.

**CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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